

Covid 19

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<p>Summary:</p>	<p>The Board will have an update on the Covid19 response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where are we now with the pandemic • What are we focusing on for the future? <p>There will be a particular focus on the work of Children’s Social Care, Public Health Nursing and Adult Social Care.</p> <p>As it is a fast-moving pandemic a presentation will be made at the Board meeting to reflect the situation and guidance to date.</p> <p>The Board received an initial report at the May Board meeting. This report will provide an update on work since the last Board.</p> <p>We remain in a Major Incident in response to Covid19.</p>		
<p>Recommendations:</p>	<p>That the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board receives for information</p> <p>1. Covid19 response in Somerset</p>		
<p>Reasons for recommendations:</p>	<p>It is important for the Board to have oversight of the work to date in relation to the response and to understand and influence future work going forwards</p>		
<p>Links to The Improving Lives Strategy</p>	<p>Please tick the Improving Lives priorities influenced by the delivery of this work</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="544 2067 1465 2107"> <tr> <td data-bbox="544 2067 1289 2107"> <p>A County infrastructure that drives</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1289 2067 1465 2107"> <p>x</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>A County infrastructure that drives</p>	<p>x</p>
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<p>Financial, Legal, HR, Social value and partnership Implications:</p>	<p>Protecting the health and wellbeing of the local population is key to the management of the Covid 19 response</p> <p>We are responding to a major incident; which is the global Covid19 pandemic. The response to the outbreak is complex, multi-faceted and multi- agency. There continues to be a tremendous amount of partnership working across the system to respond to the outbreak.</p> <p>Central government funding has been made available across the system in order to respond to the outbreak.</p> <p>Workforce considerations include working from home where you can, furloughing, business support grants, support for the self-employed. Organisations have put business continuity plans in place to ensure critical services can be maintained.</p>								
<p>Equalities Implications:</p>	<p>Evidence to date indicates black and Asian people are more likely to be badly affected by coronavirus. Public Health England have produced the following report Disparities in the risk and outcomes of COVID-19 detailing its findings https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/892085/disparities_review.pdf</p> <p>It is a disease that impacts significantly on those who are elderly, and those with other existing medical conditions. Among people already diagnosed with COVID19, people who were 80 or older were seventy times more likely to die than those under 40</p> <p>Strict adherence to social distancing (2 metres apart) is encouraged for those who are at increased risk e.g. aged 70 and over, those with specific chronic pre-existing conditions and pregnant women</p>								
<p>Risk Assessment:</p>	<p>Central Government have an alert system with a score of 1-5 which will determine the actions taken, and the expected behaviour of the population. This is risk-based approach based</p>								

	<p>on the five tests for easing measures</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NHS's ability to cope 2. Sustained and consistent fall in death rates 3. Reliable data demonstrating infection rates are decreasing to manageable levels 4. Confidence that operational issues are in hand e.g. testing and PPE 5. Confidence that the measures taken do not result in a second peak of infections that overwhelm the NHS
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1. Background

1.1. Organisations from across the health and wellbeing system locally continue to work together to respond to the outbreak. The presentation to the Board will aim to capture some of the work to date to give Board members an understanding of what has been happening and what the focus is for future work

2. Improving Lives Priorities and Outcomes

2.1. There is a major focus with the pandemic on protecting lives as well as improving lives within the context of responding to a major incident.

3. Consultations undertaken

3.1. Not applicable

4. Request of the Board and Board members

4.1. To note the report

5. Background papers

5.1.

6. Report Sign-Off

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